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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

HANSEN, J. Norman

Art Unit: 1639

Application No.: 09/893,600

Examiner: CELSA, Bennett M.

Filed: June 29, 2001

Attorney Dkt. No.: 108172-00057

For: CONSTRUCTION OF A STRAIN OF BACILLUS SUBTILIS 168 THAT DISPLAY
THE SUBLANCIN LANTIBIOTIC ON THE SURFACE OF THE CELL

RESPONSE TO THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Date: July 30, 2003

Sir:

Further to the Restriction Requirement dated July 8, 2003, the following remarks
are submitted as a full and complete response thereto.

REMARKS

Claims 1-20 are pending and Claims 1-20 have been made subject to a Restriction Requirement.

In the Restriction Requirement, the Examiner has restricted Claims 1-20 into the following three groups of claims:

Group I includes Claims 1-9 and is drawn to lantibiotic display peptides.


Group II includes Claims 10-19 and is directed towards recombinant methods of making a lantibiotic display peptide and screening thereof.

Group III includes Claim 20, which is directed to a kit.

Group I, Claims 1-9, is herein elected for prosecution.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to counsel's Deposit Account No. 01-2300, referencing docket number 108172-00057.

Respectfully submitted,



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